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28. An isolated DNA molecule, comprising a nucleotide sequence extending from about nucleotide 749 to about nucleotide 931 of SEQ ID NO:1.

29. A process for preparing a host cell for producing Gax protein comprising  
(a) introducing the vector according to claim 7 into a host cell; and  
(b) culturing the host cell of step (a) under conditions suitable to achieve expression of the DNA molecule contained in said vector.

30. A process for preparing a host cell for producing Gax protein comprising  
(a) introducing the vector according to claim 8 into a host cell; and  
(b) culturing the host cell of step (a) under conditions suitable to achieve expression of the DNA molecule contained in said vector.

31. A process for preparing a host cell for producing Gax protein comprising  
(a) introducing the vector according to claim 9 into a host cell; and  
(b) culturing the host cell of step (a) under conditions suitable to achieve expression of the DNA molecule contained in said vector.

#### REMARKS

U.S. Patent No. 5,856,121 ("the '121' patent" hereafter) issued on January 5, 1999, with claims 1-27. Because two years have not elapsed since the patent issued, a broadening reissue is available. Through error, without any deceptive intent, the patentees claimed less than they had a right to claim in the '121 patent. Accordingly, a reissue application is filed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 251. This preliminary amendment is being filed concurrently with the reissue application.

The correction to the title reflects the change made by the Certificate of Correction dated August 17, 1999.